

State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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January 27, 2016

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Jason Cooper Trilobites of America LLC 5170 Dee Alva Drive Fairfield, Ohio 45014

Subject:

Receipt of Reclamation Surety and Extension to the Division Directive to Reclaim,

Trilobites of America LLC, Marjum Limestone and Shale Mine, S/027/0112, Millard

County, Utah

Dear Mr. Cooper:

On December 17, 2015, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining received a certificate of deposit from Wells Fargo Bank in the amount of \$15,600.00 for the reclamation surety for the Marjum Limestone and Shale mine. This is an increase of \$8000.00, and the full reclamation surety is now considered adequate for the existing mining disturbance associated with this Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (Notice). Thank you for the additional surety, a copy of which is enclosed.

The Division has not yet received the required amendment to the Notice, which needs to reflect both current and future disturbances and include updated maps. Also, many of the small and distinct mine disturbances associated with both the previous operation (and now your permit) are located on areas which are not currently leased from the Trust Lands Administration (SITLA). You have requested an extension to the date by which you were required to perform the additional requirements. Because of the good faith you have shown, the Division approves the requested extension.

By March 31, 2016, you are hereby directed to:

- 1) Regrade the existing excavations that do not lie on leased areas, and any other disturbances that you do not plan to mine in the future. Seed from an acceptable seed mix should be broadcast on freshly-disturbed soils in the late fall or early winter.
- 2) Amend the Notice to reflect both the planned mine disturbance and the current disturbances to be reclaimed soon, AND

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3) Provide additional reclamation surety consistent with your amended Notice, if needed.

Failure to regrade the existing disturbances, to provide the amended Notice, or to update the reclamation surety, if needed, may result in enforcement action.

Please contact Peter Brinton at 801-538-5258 or me at 801-538-5261 if you have questions or concerns regarding this letter. Thank you for your help in completing this very important regulatory requirement.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

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Enclosed: Copy of additional Reclamation Surety

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